

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Chang et al. Confirmation No.: 6448  
Serial No. : 10/787,526  
Filed : February 26, 2004  
For : **DUAL FUNCTIONING EXCIPIENT FOR METAL CHELATE  
CONTRAST AGENTS**  
Art Unit : 1618  
Examiner : Dameron L. Jones

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**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application to file a Request for Continued Examination.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1020.00 in payment of the three-month extension fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. No additional fee(s) are believed to be due. However, the Director is also authorized to charge such fee(s) or credit any overpayment in connection with this Response to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Dated: August 20, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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